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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re Application of: James P. Elia)

) Group Art Unit: 1646

Serial No.: 09/064,000)

) Examiner: Elizabeth C. Kemmerer, Ph.D.

Filed: April 21, 1998)

For: METHOD FOR GROWTH)
OF SOFT TISSUE)

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**STATUS LETTER REGARDING PETITION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.113 TO DIRECTOR OF GROUP 1600**

Dear Sir:

In view of the fact that the above-referenced Petition was filed on November 5, 2004 and Applicant has yet to receive an answer, Applicant respectfully requests an indication of the status of the Petition.

Applicant filed a Notice of Appeal on January 18, 2005, and an answer to the Petition could be helpful in reducing the number of issues in the appeal.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: February 1, 2005

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